

Whether on account of the spots on the sun or not, the weather has remained very mild this year for this period of the seasen. This is good from a bicycling point of view. There has been comparatively little frest, and no snow to amount to anything, a sort of radical departure from former seasons. Considering the fact that winter begins next Tuesday, which will likewise be the shortest day of the year! this condition of things is really remarkable. It only serves to throw light on the pro side that our winters are rapidly becoming less

Last Sunday was a beautiful day overhead for bieveting, but unfortunately the condition of things under foot was something different. The rain of the day and night before left many of the roads in a rather bad condition. For tomorrow the conjecture of the weather places conditions as being warm, while snow is predicted for

the Sunday following. All of this only serves to make up our bad weather. In cycling circles everything is dull, but as bad as things may be, it is hardly a circumstance to what they will be next month and the menth following. The only things of interest that are now going on are indoor events. Very few clubs have inaugurated the smoker season. In fact, only one club has started the ball a rolling. and the other clubs are lagging far in the rear. After the holiday season they might wake up.

Capital Bi. Club.

The second smoker of the present season evening. Many members and invited guests | run. were present. A trio of artists sang selections in many different tongues, playing their own accompaniments, who were good, The Newsboys' Quartet, composed of genuine negroes, rendered genuine darkey mu-sic, to the delight of all. A number of other selections were presented. The usual fringe of sandwiches, peanuts, cider and the like were served in abundance. One amusing part of the evening was the bom-bardment with peanuts of one of the prom-inent members of the club, "Old Judge," who managed to retreat without any serious harm, but who refused to respond to Last evening a number of the friends of

the members assembled at the club house and enjoyed a game of compass whist. All during the past week the "experts" of the club have been in practice for the peol and billiard tournament, which opens this evening. The contest will remain open until January 15, and the contestant hav-ing the highest score will be declared the winner. Considerable interest is manifested in the outcome.

One of the most amusing annual customs day evening. A large tree will be decorated with gifts of all sorts, mostly humorous. and will be unveiled on the evening in question. The gifts will be distributed among the different members. Donations from the friends of the members for the tree decoration are requested, and in every instance the committee will withhold the name of the donor.

Rialto Cycle Club. Last Sunday the members of the Rialto

Cycle Club took a short spin awheel, visiting Arlington and Fort Myer. There were twelve members who went out, and all enfoved the ride, in spite of the fact that the Should the weather tomorrow prove favortertained at the residence of Miss Frech of 1963 Maryland avenue northeast. The event of the evening was a guessing contest. It was a unique and interesting form of amusement, and prizes were awarded to the most successful guessers. It was quite late when the affair broke up.

The regular weekly meeting of the club this week was held Wednesday, at the residence of Miss Belt of 215 8th street northeast.

On next Wednesday the club will visit

the home of Miss Grace Keefer, at 216 2d street southeast. The entertainment for the evening will assume the shape of a masquerade party.

Miles Cycle Infantry. Capt. S. H. Wiggins, who is at present

acting major of the battalion, will resume command of the Miles Cycle Infantry on priate manner The command turned out Wednesday as follows:

evening and participated in a battalion Private W. E. Boyd has been honorably discharged from the service. He leaves the command on account of taking up his residence in another state.

Sergt. J. D. Eggleston appeared before the brigade board Wednesday evening and

took the examination as a candidate for first lieutenant of infantry.

The company will give a smoker on New

Year eve, at its quarters in the National Guard Armory, celebrating the death of the old year and welcoming the appearance of the new. Alpha Cycle Club.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Alpha Cycle Club was held Monday evening at the residence of Miss Test, 22 7th street northeast. A very pleasant evening was spent at cards, euchre being the game. After several hours of playing, it was found that the ladies' first prize was won by Miss Ella Browne, and the gentlemen's by Mr. Joseph Shoyer. The ladies' consolation was won by Miss Sweeney, and the gentlemen's by Mr. Van Zandt.

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Among those present were Miss Test,
Miss Overand, Miss Browne, Miss Facer,
Miss Rainey, Miss Redding, Miss Milirick,
Miss Harrison, Miss Sweeney, Mr. Test,
Mr. Van Zandt, Mr. Daiy, Mr. Shoyer, Mr. Wissner, Mr. Berberick and Mr. Craig. The next meeting of the club will be held Monday evening, December 28, at the resi-dence of Miss Rainey, 20 G street north-

The U. T. Cycle Club held its regular

meeting last Saturday evening. Robert B. Maxwell was elected captain by a unanimous vote, and Norris H. Engle carried the election of licutenant with the same high honors. After spending an evening more devoted to pleasure than work the club adjourned until further notive.

Century Cycle Club.

The Century Cycle Club made one of its many enjoyable runs last Sunday up the Conduit road. Capt. Ed. A. Byrnes was in command, with the following centurions: William C. O'Connor, James McAnaly, Tom Reed, Howard Fisk, Dennis O'Connor, Louis Anderson, L. L. Chadwick, R. J. Fields, F. J. Volkman, W. H. Kauffman, Samuel Barnhartt, Robert Williams and Clifford Sparrow. The bleyeles on the way up became mud horses, and these were laid aside at Cabin John Bridge Hotel, where an excellent dinner was enjoyed.

The club is settled in its new quarters,
and when things are arranged it will be
one of the coziest club homes in the city. one of the coziest club homes in the city. The club was never in better condition than at the present time, and it has a waiting list of from ten to fifteen applications. The limit of fifty members has been reached, and from present indications this will be increased to 75 or 190. The new club quarters are at room 3, Arcade building, Center market. It is fitted with electric lights, heated by steam and has all the convent.

similar to the run of last summer, the route being to Ashton, Great Falls and Mariboro, passing around the city three

The club will give several smokers durng the winter, and it will be decided at the next meeting to invite the other cycle organizations of the city to these little af-fairs, amusing the guests by an entertain-

ment of some sort.

The club will take a run tomorrow to Ashton, leaving the club rooms at 10 o'clock

One should see Tom Reed slide along in his new coasting machine. It keeps the pacemakers busy holding him back. Denny O'Connor is the musical member of the club, and he is always ready with

his songs and dances.

The basket bail team of the club will play the Queer Wheelmen team Wednesday evening at the W. L. I. armory. John Baughausen, the right tackle of the team. has developed wonderfully of late and is regarded as the coming player in that position. Counselman, Monroe, Abell Posey and several others are improving wonder-

President Charles Coons is at present out of the city. He is in New York on a busi-

Arlington Wheelmen.

A "cross country" run has been called for tomorrow, starting from 14th and New York averue, at 9:30 o'clock sharp. It is desired that the members who were elected at the last meeting and those whose of the Capital Bi, Club was held Saturday applications were received attend this

Last Sunday a large number of the members, including all of the officers of the elub and the entire century team, visited Rice's photograph gallery, where pictures of the team and the club were taken, copies of which can be obtained from the secretary, Mr. J. F. Broadbent, at 14th street and New York avenue. The picture is a grand success.

The irrepressible Murphy, he who possesses an insatiable appetite for the bi-valve, after posing before the camera, said he was going to "oysterville." Sevsaid he was going to "oysterville." Several members joined him, and in a short while they were seen seated on the wharf, devouring the product of the briny deep. It is reported that for a while three "openers" were kept busy supplying the captain-elect. Later in the evening several members enjoyed an old time over weet. members enjoyed an old time oyster roast

with President Gettinger.

The gold medals which will be presented each of the riders in the recent road race will be received some time next week. They will be of solid gold, unique in design, and artistically engraved.

The popularity of the Arlington Wheel-

of the club will be the Christmas tree entertainment, which will be held next Tues-of applications which have to be acted on at each meeting is any criterion—eleven were elected at the last meeting and four-

sider the proposition of adopting a new uniform. The regulation blue which has been worn since the organization of the club, does not meet with general approval at this day. Recently, several old members have, at

their own request, been transferred to the active list. The boys welcome the return of the "vets" to active membership.

Levant Wheelmen.

There is considerable activity in the club rooms. The boys are turning out in roads were not in the finest of condition. large numbers to see the match game of cribbage between the two experts, Messrs. able, a short trip of some sort will be made.

Last Thursday evening the club was entertained at the residence of Miss Frech of games, the last one of which will be

the club rooms.

L. A. W. GOSSIP.

There were three more names added to the list of the local division of the league during the past week, making the total membership much nearer the coveted 1,000 December 30. His return to command of | mark. There were also three renewals of the infantry will be celebrated in an appro- old membership cards, which makes the total swell up to 947. The new members are

R. W. Bishop, 605 7th street northwest. Joseph I. Griffith, 2137 Virginia avenue northwest.

Charles W. Stiles, the Woodmont. The division is now close on the beels of Iowa, Kentucky and New Hampshire. The latter division has a total meembership of 1,096, while Kentucky is credited with a total of only 988, within easy reaching distance. Iowa is only a few steps ahead, as it were, with a total membership of 897.

The following table shows the complete membership of the National Assembly for 1888 in comparison with the membership of the assembly for 1807:

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Connecticut 8		North Dakota 1	
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Florida 1		Oregon 3	3
Georgia 3	2	Penusylvania 63	2
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Maine 4		Utah 1	3
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Bicycles are now carried as baggage with out extra charge on American railroad ines aggregating over 68,000 miles in length, an increase of about 30,000 miles since last February. Coast line and river steamers and ferries having a combined length of route of 135,000 miles are also carrying bieycles the same as other ferms of baggage, and without extra charge. The principal coast line steamers on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts are included in this list, and all the big trans-Pacific lines to the charge and Australia are in line. o China, Japan and Australia are in line with the same policy. In France all rail-roads carry bicycles as ordinary baggage, and the increase of receipts within the last year, due to wheelmen's patronage, has been very substantial. The same effect is noted in this country as shown in the case Long Island Railroad Company or the Long Island Railroad Company, which last year carried about 30,000 cyclist passengers and this year about 150,000, each paying a full first-class fare.

Cycle path construction along the lines of country roads will be pushed more vigor-ously in 1808 than ever before. From the practical experience thus far gained it is practical experience thus far gained it is shown that the best surface for cycle paths is composed of a thin dressing of crushed sandstone. This material backs easily, forms a smooth, elastic surface, with just enough grit to "bite" the tfre and prevent slipping, drains quickly, resists the formation of mud, and for ten months in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is superior to the cinder surface in that the latter sticks to the rubber tire and is easily picked up and loosened by passing wheels. heated by steam and has all the convention of mud, and for ten months in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to the convention of mud, and for ten months in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to the convention of mud, and for ten months in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to the convention of the gate receipts amounted to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to the convention of the gate receipts amounted to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is supplied to \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wheelway. It is \$14.87. The other riders finished in the year supplies an ideal wh

committee of the Canadian Wheelmen's As-sociation at Buffalo this month to discuss matters of interest to the two organiza-

Informal announcement has been received that the Swiss, Belgian and Italian govern-ments have decided to admit touring L. A W. members across their frontiers without requiring the payment of duty or the demoney at the customs stations This privilege will be formally proclaime as soon as necessary papers are executed and filed by the officers of the L. A. W. Sample membership tickets have been for-warded to Paris. Berne, Brussels and Rome for distribution among the customs stations, so that an L. A. W. membership ticket can be recognized by comparison with the one on hand at each station.

More than 52,000 new members have joined the League of American Wheelmen since the last meeting of the National Assembly at Albany last February.

The executive committee of the League of American Wheelmen has arranged for the purchase of a large supply of maps from the geological survey department of the United States government, and will dis-pose of these maps among state divisions where they can be used to facilitate touring and encourage the recruiting work of division officers. These maps are of the finest quality, being made at great cost from accurate government surveys. They show all roads and streets, town and county lines and executed the control of the country streets. lines, and even the location of houses other buildings, and are, therefore, splendidly adapted to the wants of touring cyclists. These maps are being mounted on clists. These maps are being mounted on muslin and folded in convenient form for the pocket, and will be ready for general distribution by February.

A bill will be introduced in the New York legislature at its coming session providing for the general construction of cycle paths throughout the state. Its provisions will be announced in a later bulletin.

The members of the police bicycle squad are now wearing their full uniforms for the winter, including caps and all. Some riders have perhaps noticed this, and doubtless noticed that the change looked good. There is now no trouble in distinguishing the member of the squad when awheel. The new caps are of blue color, and shaped a good deal like the cap of the High School cadets last year, with gold cord in front. A thick and heavy coat, square cut, with knee trousers, both of blue, constitute the official costume, the men wearing any color of stocking desired. As it now appears the local squad will compare favorably with the bicycle squad of any other city in the country in point of

The wheelmen of Indianapolis have something which the local wheelmen do not possess, but which might be a good thing to have. It is nothing more nor less than a cyclometer test. The name might sound unique, but it is a good thing. It is a course over which the riders of the city are given a chance of testing their cyclometers, to ascertain their correctness in registering. The distance is only one mile, and in a good portion of the city. While the need of such a course was not at all so very great the city surveyor marked of such a course was not at all so very great the city surveyor marked off a course exactly a mile in length. Near-iy all of the wheelmen of the city took ad-proverbial among racing men. During all vantage of the creation of the course and rode over the distance. Whether or not the course is exactly fair

for a cyclometer test is a question that is debatable. Take it for granted that the course is exactly one mile in length, the measurement of the same is made in a perfectly straight line. To accurately test the cyclometer the rider is obliged to ride in a perfectly straight line. This is noth-ing difficult for a great many riders, but even the best in going a mile are not apt to keep in a perfectly straight line. The front wheel is very apt to wobble now and then in order that the rider may re-tain his equilibrium, and the wobbling is apt to make an increased difference in reord for the mile as shown by the readings of the cyclometer. Again the new riders have a general tendency to wobble, and the discrepancy in their case would be much larger. At the end it would be a rather hard matter to tell whether the difference between the record and the mile was caused by the failure of the cyclo-meter to work properly, or due to the wob-

All cyclometers are not good record keepers. Some may keep accurate time; others may register entirely too rapid; while others still may register too slow. A cyclometer can be readily compared with a watch. Some run slow and others fast, while again a limited number may run correctly. The facilities for regulating a cyclometer, how ever, are not nearly as good as for regu-lating the movements of a watch, and therein lies the difficulty. Taking it all in all a cyclometer course is hardly fair for the rider or for the instrument.

It will be remembered that not long ago It will be remembered that not long ago the Commissioners issued an order preventing parents or others from carrying children on a bicycle. The order met with considerable opposition, and was subsequently modified to a great degree. The police would have a hard time securing a conviction at present of any person who was arrested for earrying a child awheel. In opposition to this a Chicago index re-In opposition to this a Chicago judge recently decided that the Humane Society of that city had a right to cause the arrest of persons who carried babies or children on their bicycles. A press dispatch has this to say on the subject:

"It was proved in the testimony submitted to the court that the carrying of a child on the handle bar of a bicycle puts the child in constant peril of life and limb, no matter how comfortable a seat it may have, as there are not alone the possible rave, as there are not alone the possible accidents of the roadway, passing vehicles, but also the liability that a wheel, pedal or handle bar may break at any moment, throwing the child to the ground to be injured or killed. For physiological reasons the practice of carrying children on bi-cycles is very reprehensible. It can not do a sick child any good. There is no exer-cise for the child in it and fresh air can cise for the child in it and fresh air can be had without the risk of taking it on a bicycle. In many cases the smile on a child's face while being carried on a bi-cycle is not a smile of good, healthy en-joyment, but one of fear. The practice of riding children in this manner is fool-hardy and criminal and humane societies and the police everywhere should suppressed and the police everywhere should suppres

It is a peculiar thing to notice that one class of sport takes better in one locality than in another. Six-day continuous racing day limit race may be taken for and a day limit race may be taken for a good example, as two instances occurred one right after another. The big race at Madison Square, which ended in Miller's smashing Hale's old record of 1,910, was a bonanza for the projectors, as well as for the contestants themselves, from their own point of view. It is stated that the managers of the affair got \$40,000 for their share of the week, while among the six-day racers the total purse amounted to only \$4,200. The York public is evidently extremely fond of that class of sport.

To show the reverse of the above successful financial condition, it is only necessary to refer to the twelve-nour race which to refer to the twelve-hour race which was run at Atlanta the week before th Madison Square event, in which most of the entrants to the latter race entered in order to get practice. The riders worked hard at the southern city, but the receipts were very small. Miller won the race. His share of the gate receipts amounted to \$14.87. The other riders flyinged in the

cold. The race_receipts did not pay the Halstead, which passed him at a terrific

Speaking of six-day racing brings to mind the fact that considerable agitation has been occasioned against such events, growing out of the recent Madison Square race. A dispatch from Ottawa, Ont., announces that the dominion cabinet will consider a proposal to amend the criminal code so as to prohibit continuous bicycle races. The New York face was the cause of the opposition to such events in Canada. From other sections of this country reports have been received denouncing such a style of racing. It seems as though a preconcerted action has been taken against the matter. Perhaps the action may be spontaneous, but at all events the past six-day race in New York was not as cruel or as hard on the men as the race held at the same place last year. All of the riders this year, aclast year. All of the riders this year, according to all reports, finished in rather good condition. Last year was not the case, and Rice, one of the contestants, was an inmate of a Pennsylvania asylum for some weeks after the event. The wind up of the big event this year was not stand. of the big event this year was not attended by any such incidents. It seems strange that the kick should be made just at present, when, in fact, it is a year behind

So far as any laws on the subject are so far as any laws on the subject and concerned, a majority of wheelmen do not think it is necessary. A man is endowed with sense and knows what to expect if he enters such a contest. If the public so seriously objects to such racing why does it patronize the events so liberally? So long as there is any money in it men will tace, and even if a law was enacted against continuous racing, there would be some loophole of escape. A race of twenty-three hours and fifty-nine minutes a day, with a rest of one minute, could not be called a continuous event from a legal standpoint, so it is stated, but to all intents and purposes it would be a continuous race.

The question of brakes is being agitated in England, and the Cyclist, one of the leading trade papers, has this to say on

"We believe that it is only a question of time before it will become a recog-nized feature of every high-class bicycle for road work to be fitted with some ar-rangement that will admit of free pedals for hill descending, and an instantly ap plicable back-pedaling brake, the in addition to the usual spoon. Several very ingenious ideas with these ends in view have been already devised, and in all probability twelve months or so hence we shall have some really valuable and practical experience to work on. The idea is particularly suitable for ladies' machines, as very few of the fair sex care about descending hills with their feet on the rests, and at the same time it is perfectly certain that the majority of girls get very little fun out of riding down hill, as, with their low gears, pedaling soon becomes laborious. At the same time it is essential that any arrangement which allows free pedals should be absolutely definite and simple in the working of the brake, so that it would be impossible for a novice to get run away with, through even a momentary failure of the apparatus

A company has been organized at Springfield, Ill., for the manufacture of an airless tire lately invented. The new company claims to have what the bleyeling world has wait for for ten years, an airless tire. It is made exactly the same as single-tube tires, and has but one difference, that being the composition which takes the place of air. The tires will not collect the composition which collapse when punctured and an ordinary tack or nail has no effect on the contents of the tube. The invention is the result of six months' labor and four months' practical test on an ordinary wheel. The tire is pliable and resilient and weighs but ounces more than an ordinary pneumatic.

WELL-KNOWN RACING MEN

Ore of the most successful local amateur riders for the season of 1897 has been Al. Mcran. In the fall of 1896 he did some good exhibition riding, establishing the third of a mile unpaced track record, at International Park; time, 42 1-5 seconds He also won one race, got a place in two others and won three heats, but he gave ne promise of jumping into prominence the way he has done during the past summer.

He has always been a most conscientious the summer, even on the hottest days, when the mercury tried to climb out of the thermometer, and the little basin, as the Columbia Athletic Club track is called. fairly sizzling with the heat, he could always be found at noon and again in the evening. He rarely rides less than five miles, and this is always at a terrific pace. His endurance is wonderful, and there is no one in the District that can stand the strain that he undergoes every day when in active training. While at the national in active training. While at the national meet in Philadelphia during the month of August he enjoyed nothing better than to tack on behind Starbuck, who always followed a quad at a little better than a twominute clip for five or six miles, and he

never seemed to have any difficulty in hanging on.
"Zimmy" first began to show his ability at the annual Decoration day meet at Ath-letic Park, when he was only beaten an eyelash for the championship of the Dis-trict by Wils n. It was a beautiful fin-ish. Moran jumped the sprint away round from the quarter pole. He turned into the stretch riding like a demon, with Wilson close behind. He seemed to be win-ning easily, but just about fifty yards from the finish he seemed to slack up, and in an instant Wilson had taken advantage of this and shoved his front wheel across the tape, not more than an inch in advance. On June 25 Moran won three firsts at River View, and on the following day two firsts at the International Park. The first of these latter races was the one-mile handicap, and he was not given much credit for winning, as both Wilson and



A. C. Moran.

Halstead fell. be However, when he met both of these men in the mile open and again demonstrated his superiority by winning it was evident that it was not mere luck that carried him through. Up to this time Moran had not met Schade, and the meeting of these two cracks was looked forward to with great expectation. Trey came together at Frederick on July Trey came togethereat Frederick on July 3, and Zimmy came on top both times. Besides Schade he met and defeated Halstead and Smith and all of the best of the Baltimore fidera, including Le Compte and Wilkerson. b July 5 he again came to the front and captured the mile open in the fast time of 2.14, which is the record for the track in competition; also two-mile hardicap, one-mile team race, and ran sec. hardicap, one-mile team race, and ran sec

ond in the multicycle race.

These three races made him ten consecutive firsts. His ride in the two-mile handicap on this day was something to be long remembered by those who saw it. He had just ridden a hard heat, and almost immediately was called out for the remembered by those who saw it. He had just ridden a hard heat, and almost immediately was called out for the finals. Matchett and Wrenn had one hundred and tverty yards, and they set a terrific pace. It seemed worse than useless for the scratch men to try to overtake them. Schade evidently thought so, for he dropped out after the third lap. Moran, however, plugged on and on the very last lap he shot are few yards from Wilson and George Smith and passed Matchett. It was a wonderful and passed Matchett. It was a wonderful exhibition of pluck and endurance, and was only equaled by his phenomenal ride in the multileycle race. With a handleap of only two hundred yards he apparently waited for the finals.

World for their consideration and adaptation to local needs. The Evangelical Alliance Garrett.

The was underties the work undertaken by thas had a much wide recope that the work in England.

The Evangelical Alliance was organized in London in 1846, at which time 800 delegates, representing fifty denominations, met in Free Mason Hall, and were in sessing for the ensuing yeaf Mr. W. F. French, president: Henry Baum, vice president; Henr

Halstead, which passed him at a terrific clip. He, However, caught them and tacked onto their rear wheel until overtaken by the triplet, mounted by Greer, Wilson and Smith, to which he transferred his attention by tacking on to them. In doing this he displayed rare judgment, and despite the repeated efforts of the triplet crew to shake him, he hung to them to within a bundred years of the tape, when he sprinted, finishing well, up past the middle man, beating the tandem out by two lengths. This was the occasion for another ovation to the stocky little rider.

From this time on, he had one accident after another. He fell at Staunton and cut his ear almost entirely off. After the cut his ear almost entirely off. After the doctor had sewed it up, he insisted on riding in the finals of the mile open, and Schade only beat him after a desperate struggle. He had only begun to recover from the effects of this fall when he went to Philadelphia, and in the very first heat in which he was entered he fell on the hard surface of the Willow Grove track and it took the surgeon an hour to pull the splinters of wood out of his head and the splinters of wood out of his head and arms. On Labor cay, however, in spite of these falls he won the mile open in one of the prettiest finishes of the year. Mor-an, George Smith, Wilson and Schade fin-ished in the order named, and so closely bunched that no one but the judges could tell who had won. He received a bad fall at Norfolk shortly after this from which he has never fully recovered. His ankle was badiy wrenched, he being thrown right through a picket fence. In spite of this terrible sprain he rode at Peters-burg the following Saturday, and won

several prizes.

One of the most important of his sea son's successes was his match race with Schade, who he defeated with apparent ease at Georgetown College. At Norfolk he established two Virginia state records, riding from scratch in the two-mile handicap in 4:36, and also riding in the three mile handicap in 7:09 2-5. In a local trial available time hands and the screen state of the screen against time he rode a quarter mile un-paced, flying start, straightaway in twenty seconds flat, which is a remarka-ble performance. He is now out of active training and is devoting most of his time to the study of law at Georgetown Col-

RACING PROSPECTS.

Bicycle racing for next season, though still far off, gives promise of most attractive meetings, as far as the public is concerned and greater protection to the riders themselves, as well as control over them by the race promoters. This state of affairs is assured by the National Cycle Track Association and the League of American Wheelmen working together. As mentioned in a list given in The Star November 30, the dates given by the former to the International Athletic Park are June 23 and October 6. These will be termed as held under the "grand circuit." The L. A. W. circuit, the "national cir cuit," will not be known for several months yet. Extensive reformations in the racing world will be inaugurated by these powerful organizations, and just as the potent influences of the L. A. W. has been felt in all branches of cycling from the clearling of the L. A. the elevation of the sport to the legisla-

the elevation of the sport to the static tive features of good roads.

It is understood that since the listing of the local track, and selection of dates, the desirable location of this city has caused outside parties to inquire as to terms for obtaining control of the track. It is obtaining control of the track. It is pos-sible, therefore, that the International Park will be under new management next sea-son, and if the track is cemented on the back stretch and curves as proposed, there will not be a better one on the circuit. It may be said that at last the Washington people have passed the stage of initia-tion to bicycle racing, and from now on the bicycle rooter and "regular" will be a

the bicycle rooter and "regular" will be a fixture at each meet.

Taking a forecast then, there will be the two "grand circuit" meets, the national circuit, regular events by the management, club meets and those by other organizations, so that the city will be well supplied.

N THE CHURCHES

The recent reorganization of the United Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has created much interest throughout the country, and the following explaworker, and his hard training is almost Lation of the matter is made for the infermation of those interested:

"In the first place, any past or present member of a Christian Endeavor society may become a life member of the corporation upon election by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any legal meeting, and the payment of one dollar to the treas urer. Heretofcre life members paid \$29, sustaining members, \$5, and others \$1 annu-"Second, the corporation is to hold an an-

nual meeting in the month of June or July in each year at such place as the executive committee of the board of trustees shall appoint, for the election of officers and trustees and the transaction of other ap-propriate business. Heretofore the annual business meeting has been held in Massa-chusetts. It can now be held at the same time and place as the annual convention This will insure a large attendance at the business meeting.
"Third, the business affairs of the cor-

poration shall be managed by a board of not less than one hundred, nor more than 150 trustees, who shall be chosen by lot at the annual business meeting. evangelical denomination shall be repre sented on the board by at least one trustee for every thousand societies in such denomination.

"To insure the widest geographical representation on the board of trustees the nominating committee is instructed to nom-inate the president of each state, territorial and provincial Christian Endeavor union in the United States and Canada as candi-dates for election to the board of trustees. "It is also suggested that the nominating committee carefully consider any names that may be presented by any evangelical denomination entitled to representation on It is understood that Rev. Dr. F. B.

Meyer, an evangelist of London, will soon visit this country, and is expected to visit and hold meetings in this city, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, Albany, Rochester and Kansas City. In each of these cities, it is stated, Christian Endeavorers, pastors of Presbyterian, Baptist, Congrega-tional and Christian churches are to join in making the meetings successful. Advance meetings are to be held and every effort is to be made to get people who do not regularly attend church services to participate. It was stated to a Star reporter by a prominent Lutheran of this city that after January 1 New York will have a larger Lutheran representation than can be found the religious denominations most largely represented in the population of that city are the Roman Catholic, the Presbyterian and the Methodist. At the beginning of the new year, it is stated, New York having embraced all the surrounding embraced. ing embraced all the surrounding suburbs, it will be found that the strong German element in many of them brings up the Lutheran Church to so large a representa-tion that there will be no city, even in Germany, where the denomination have so much property or so many mem-

bers.

The list of topics suggested by the Evangelical Alliance for the United States for gelical Alliance for the United States for January 2 to 9, has gelical Alliance for the United States for the week of prayer, January 2 to 9, has just been issued. For Sunday, January 2, it is proposed to have sermons preached bearing on the subject of how "God's People Approach the Lord and Walk in His Light;" Monday the topic is "Confession and Thanksgiving;" Tuesday, prayer for the "Church Universal;" Wednesday, for "Nations and Their Rulers;" Thursday, "Families and Schools;" Friday, "Foreign Missions;" Saturday, "Home Missions," and Sunday, January 9, sermons on "God's People as His Witnesses to the World."

The topics are made out in the alliance headquarters in London and are sent to the various branches in all parts of the the various branches in all parts of the world for their consideration and adapta-tion to local needs. The Evangelical Alli-ance for the United States is the most

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drawal of the \$3 Rate Jan. 1. CATARRH. MANY OTHER PERSONS SUFFER SUCH SUFFERERS DO NOT HAVE A DEFINITE UNDERSTANDING OF THE NATURE OF THEIR AFFLICTION. THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS JUST WHAT IT IS THAT AILS THEM. AL-TROUGH WRITTEN AND COPYRIGHTED BY HIM, THEY HAVE BEEN EXTENSIVELY COPIED BY OTHER CONCERNS WITHOUT HIS

DISEASE OF HEAD AND THROAT.

The head and throat become diseased from neglected colds, causing Catarrh when the condition of the blood predisposes to this condition,

THIS WITH YOU TO DOCTORS MCCOY AND

"Is the voice husky?"

"Do you spit up sime?"

"Do you spit up sime?"

"Do you ache all over?"

"Do you shore at night?"

"Do you shore at night?"

"Do you shore at night?"

"Do you blow out scalis?"

"Is the nose stopped up?"

"Does the nose discharge?"

"Does the nose bleed easily?"

"Is this worse toward night?"

"Does the nose itch and burn?"

"Does the nose itch and burn?"

"Is there pain across the eyes?"

"Is there pain in front of the head?"

"Do you hawk to char the throat?"

"Is the throat dry in the morning?"

"Are you losing your sense of taste?"

"Do you sleep with the mouth open?"

"Does your nose stop up toward night?"

DISEASE OF THE EARS. Deafness and ear troubles result

from catarrh passing along the Eustachian tube that leads from the throat to the ear.

'Is you hearing filling?'

Is you hearing fiiling?"

Do your ears discharge?"

Do your ears discharge?"

Are the ears dry and scaly?"

Are the ears dry and scaly?"

Is there throbbing in the ears?"

Have you pain belaind the ears?"

Is there a buzzing sound heard?"

Do you have fluging in the ears?"

Are there crackling sounds heard?"

Are there crackling sounds heard?"

Is your hearing bad cloudy days?"

Do you have earache occasionally?"

Are there sounds like steam escaping?"

Do you constantly hear noises in the ears?"

To you hear better some days than others?"

Do the noises in your ears keep you awake?"

When you blow your noise do the ears crack?"

Is your hearing worse when you have a cold?"

Is there roaring like a waterfall in the head?"

DISEASE OF BRONCHIAL TUBES.

This condition often results from entarrh extending from the head and throat, and, if left unchecked,

in time attacks the lungs.

"Have you a cough?"
"Are you losing flesh?"
"Do you cough at night?"
"Have you pain in side?"
"Do you take cold easily?"
"Is your appetite variable?"
"Have you stitches in side?"
"Do you cough mult you can?"

Do you cough until you gag?"
Do you raise frothy material?"
Do you cough on going to bed?

Do you cough in the morning?"

Are you low spirited at times?"

Do you spit up yellow matter?"

Is your cough short and hacking?"

Do you spit up little cheesy lumps?"

Have you a disgust for fatty foods?"

Is there a tickling behind the pulate?"

Do you feel you are growing weaker?"

Is there a burning pain in the throat?"

Have you pain behind the breastbene?"

Do you cough worse night and morning?"

Do you have to sit up at night to get breath?"

sr., John Jay and the incumbent, William E. Dodge.

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The general alliance has held ten great ecumenical meetings: In London, 1851; Paris, 1855; Geneva, 1861; Amsterdam, 1867; New York, 1873; Basle, 1879; Copenhagen, 1884; Florence, 1891, and the semicentennial meeting in London in 1896.

A letter from the reverend director of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith in the Catholic Church, addressed to a friend in this city, states that a project for the reorganization of the association in the United States is now under way. An the United States is now under way. An appeal has been addressed from the head-quarters of the association, at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, to every pastor and religious community in the land, in which

yearly by the various non-Catholic societies in the land for the spread of their foreign missions, Catholics, who have so much cause to desire the conversion of the world, should show their love for those in spiritual darkness by alding this associa-tion, as far as able."

At the recent meeting of the archbishops at the Catholic University they commended the association and adopted resolutions asking the bishops to issue a circular com-mending the work to the real of the partyry

mending the work to the zeal of the pastors

and the charity of the faithful, and that

"In view of the vast resources gathered

diocesan director or a diocesan commit-tee be appointed in each diocese, and his name entered in the directory.

The committee having charge of the matter has informed the local officials of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Baltimore that the general council of the International Brotherhood of St. Andrew, which met in Philadelphia last Wednesday, decided upon Baltimore as a place for the next annual convention, which will be held September 28 to October 2, 1898. All the september 28 to October 2, 1838. All the local chapters of the diocese of Maryland will be notified at once, and preparations for the meeting will soon be begun. The local chapters intend to make the meeting an interesting one for the delegates, who

will number over 1.000. The fourth quarterly conference of St. Paul's M. E. Church (Dupont Circle), Rev.

The following church officers for the en-The following church officers for the ensuing year were elected: Trustees, Joseph F. Birch, jr., Aldis B. Browne, Luther Caldwell, Bishop J. F. Hurst, D.D., and Mason N. Richardson; stewards, Mrs. A. F. Beiler, Elmer S. Farwell, Mrs. Ella R. Hurst, Perry G. Michener, Willis F. Roe (recording), Mrs. E. J. Somers, Benj. H. Stinemetz, jr., and Alfred C. True (district); Sunday school superintendent, Mason N. Richardson; president of Epworth League, Herbert L. Buell.

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The Epworth League of Twelfth Street M. E. Church held its annual meeting last Monday evening. Reports of the year's work were read and officers were elected for 1898, as follows: President, J. H. Allen; first vice president, Miss E. V. Allen; second vice president, Mrs. W. H. Harmer; third vice president, Mr. H. L. Molinne, fourth vice president, Miss Jessie Brady; recording secretary. Miss Mollie Larkin; recording secretary, Miss Mollie Larkin; treasurer, Mr. York Burgess; organist, Miss Florence Burgess; chorister, Miss Mary

HOSTS OF PEOPLE SUFFER FROM THE | The necessity for the extensions that VARIOUS MALICNANT POISONS IN THEIR Doctor McCoy has made for the opportunity under BLOOD, WHICH PRODUCE OR RESULT FROM the \$3 rate can only be appreciated by those who CATARRH. MANY OTHER PERSONS SUFFER have seen the throngs of people crowding his offices FROM NERVOUS DISEASES, LIVER DISEASES. during the concluding maps of the property of these with their

TO THE PUBLIC

He Announces the Absolute With-

HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BY DOCTOR McCOY the crowds of people over anything that has pre-TO ENABLE SUFFERERS TO UNDERSTAND ceded. In making this final extension Doctor Mc-JUST WHAT IT IS THAT ALLS THEM. ALL phasis to its condition-namely, that it is absolutely final; that it carries with it a distinct notice that on the 1st of January the \$3 oppor-AUTHORITY. THE PROPER COURSE OF in view of repeated extensions, THOSE AFFECTED IS THIS: READ THESE Doctor McCoy desires that this notice SYMPTOMS CAREFULLY OVER; MARK THOSE THAT APPLY TO YOUR CASE, AND BRING

DISEASE OF THE STOMACH.

eral causes, but the usual cause is entarrh, the mucus dropping down

" Is there nausea?" Are you costive?" " Is there vomiting?"

" Do you belch up gas?" " Have you waterbrash?"

Are you light headed?"

" Is there pain after eating?" ' Are your nervous and weak?"

Have you distress after cating?"

"Is there constant sensation in the stomach?" Do you feel us if you had lead in stomach?"

When stemach is full do you feel oppressed?"

DISEASE OF THE BLOOD.

If the blood be diseased from any cause the tissues will suffer, and as a result some of the following symptoms will show themselves:

"Is there a prickling sensation in the skin?"
"Have you seres on any part of the body that won't heal?"

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but having visited all of the Presbyterian mission stations, he has much to say that will be of vast interest to all Presbyterians

home. She gave me ever so many reasons for

ing for bread-winning purposes. With the poverty belonging to most of these women, suffering is inevitable, and this suffering, she argues, is best endured at home, where the young girl is near her family or her friends, and where the many torms of complicated miseries incident to a life alone in Paris are spared them— miseries easy to endure and acceptable. miseries easy to endure and accepted without question if success lie ahead and one is assured of possessing real talent and power, but miseries that cut into the soul of one and destroy the finer fibers if en-

dured for ends never possible of attainment. Paul's M. E. Church (Dupont Circle), Rev. Stowell L. Bryant, pastor, was held Tuesday evening, December 14, the presiding eider, Dr. Luther B. Wilson, presiding. Reports from the various church officers were submitted, and it was shown that about \$3,500 had been received during the year, of which over \$400 were expended for The mere cost of living may be cheaper paints and materials necessary to her if she means to derive full benefit from her

opportunities to work.

Many girls, as she told me, are without this money, and weeks and months sometimes go by in which they are forced to stay shivering in their little garrets, because they lack the means to go to one of the cours, or to enjoy the advantages which they came to Paris to seek.

In a broad philosophic sense this time may not be wasted but in a worldly are

Statements like these, coming from one who has studied on both sides of the water, who has won unusual honors for herself, and who, as her courage, her prowess, her willingness to suffer, have proved, is of no weakling, can hardly fail

Light From Sawdust.

own eyes the anxiety and the eagerness of these THE RESULT OF IRRITATING CRYSTAL applicants to obtain the benefits of the offer can POISONS IN THE BLOOD. A MAJORITY OF at all appreciate the pressure brought to bear upon Doctor McCoy to make the extensions he has made. This Final Extension to the end of the year was the result of such a pressure as thisonly that the pressure was in-

> be given unusual prominence. The month of December is absolutely the last opportunity under the \$3 rate. It will never be given again in this practice. It cannot be indefinitely extended without actual loss, and it will be withdrawn except to those patients already under treatment on January 1st.

This condition may result from sev-

into the throat and being swallowed.

Do you lawk and spit?"

"Do you have sick headaches?" "Do you bloat up after eating?"
"Is there disgust for breakfast?"

Is your throat filled with slime?" "Do you at times have diarrhoca?"
"Is there rush of blood to the head?"

"When you get up suddenly are you dizzy?"
"When stomach is empty do you feel faint?" "Do you belch up material that burns throat?"

From the blood the tissues are fed.

Is your color bad?"

Is your color bad?"

Is your throat sore?"

Are you all run down?"

Is the hair falling out?"

Is the hair falling out?"

Have you swollen glands?"

Boes the skin bot and flushed?"

Does the skin itch and burn?"

Is there persistent headache?"

Have you acking in the bones?"

Have you acking in the bones?"

Have you acking in the mouth?"

Do the temples bent and throb?"

Do the hands and feet keep cold?"

Does the blood circulate sluggishly?"

Does the blood feel not and teverish?"

Do the lands and feet puff up and swell?"

Is there a prickling sensation in the skin?"

PERMANENT OFFICES DR. MCCOY'S NATIONAL PRACTICE,

in the city, and all are urged to attend this meeting. A SUCCESSFUL ARTIST'S ADVICE. When Girls Should Not Go Abroad to

Speer is not only a very eloquent speaker

Study Art. From Harper's Bazar. A young American, who, heaped with honors, has just returned from Paris, told me, greatly to my surprise, that she thought it an idle and an unwise plan for girls to go abroad to study art until they had been drilled in fundamental work at

this, but that which seemed to her the strongest was the fact that Paris is full of American women who, not having had their abilities tested at home, have gone there only to find that years and years of uphill work lie before them, with no prospects at the end. For that which they thought to be talent in themselves has proved, when taken to the other side, to be but a flimsy affair not worth cultivat-

opportunities to work.

may not be wasted, but in a worldly, an artistic, a professional sense rather, it is.

The girls might as well be at home as

to carry a certain weight.